MINERAL COUNTY ARRA FUNDING AND PROJECTS

Sased on the latest information available to the Governor's Office. This report is not comprehensive because new Recovery Act awards are announced frequently. This does not include funds - including income tax cuts, increased COBRA benefits, increased funds to cover Medicaid services and others - that cannot be broken down by county. The numbers below represent funds that have been awarded and are expected to be received over the life of the Recovery Act. The funds are distributed to a wide range of groups in the county and do not necessarily touch county government.

COMMUNITY SERVICES / SAFETY NET:

- \$200,428 Community Services Block grant to the San Luis Valley Community Action Agency, which serves Alamosa, Conejos, Costilla, Mineral, Rio Grande, and Saguache counties, for poverty reduction and revitalization of low-income communities. SLVCAA will work with local employment agencies, public school districts, and local higher education facilities to provide education or continuing education to local residents to prepare for employment opportunities in the area.
- \$2,268 Extra 13 percent in food stamp benefits to about 20 people in Mineral County between April 1- October 31, 2009.

WORKFORCE SERVICES AND UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS:

- **\$573,152** Workforce Investment Act Funds for job training to the South Central County Region, which includes Alamosa, Saguache, Mineral, Rio Grande, Conejos, Costilla, Huerfano, and Las Animas counties.
- **\$244,678** Wagner Peyser (WP) & Reemployment Services (RES) to the South Central County Region, which includes Alamosa, Saguache, Mineral, Rio Grande, Conejos, Costilla, Huerfano, and Las Animas counties.
- \$61,968 Extra 20 weeks of benefits, through the Emergency Unemployment Compensation program, for 12 people (as of June 30, 2010) in Mineral County.
- \$16,450 Extra \$25 per week in unemployment benefits through the Federal Additional Compensation program, for 29 people (as of June 30, 2010) in Mineral County.
- \$7,919 Additional 13 weeks of unemployment benefits through a new state law given to 3 people as of June 30, 2010 in Mineral County.

ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT:

- \$56,988 Estimated funds to be spent for free energy efficiency upgrades in low-income homes in Mineral County
- \$150,000 Energy Efficiency Conservation Block grant to the CSU Extension Service for energy efficiency improvements in buildings in Alamosa, Conejos, Costilla, Mineral, Rio Grande and Saguache counties.

EDUCATION:

\$3,857 Title I funds for Mineral County schools with high percentages of low-income students.